

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY**

CREIGHTON TAKATA, Individually and
on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

RIOT BLOCKCHAIN, INC. F/K/A
BIOPTIX, INC., JOHN O'ROURKE
AND JEFFREY G. MCGONEGAL,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.: 18-2293(FLW)(ZNQ)
Hon. Freda L. Wolfson

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW COUNSEL

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, as soon as he may be heard, Movant Wai Lau ("Movant"), by and through his counsel Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP, shall move before the Honorable Freda L. Wolfson, of the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey, Clarkson S. Fisher Building & U.S. Courthouse, 402 East State Street, Trenton, NJ 08608, for an Order for the withdrawal of Sherief Morsy of Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP as counsel to Movant. Withdrawal is sought as Mr. Morsy will not be associated with Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP as of July 31, 2020.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a proposed Order granting the relief requested is submitted herewith.

DATED: July 31, 2020

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on July 31, 2020, I caused true and correct copies of the foregoing to be served on all counsel of record via CM/ECF.

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MOTION FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW COUNSEL

Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 102.1, Movant Wai Lau ("Movant"), by and through his counsel Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP, respectfully moves for the withdrawal of Sherief Morsy as counsel to Movant in the above-captioned action.

Withdrawal is sought as Mr. Morsy will not be associated with Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP as of July 31, 2020. Movant continues to be represented by Alex J. Hartzband of Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP.

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STATEMENT PURSUANT TO LOCAL CIVIL RULE 7.1(d)(4)

Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 7.1(d)(4), Movant Wai Lau submits that no brief is necessary with respect to the Motion for Leave to Withdraw Counsel because there are no legal issues as to the relief sought therein or in the proposed Order Granting the Motion for Leave to Withdraw Counsel.

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**[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING
MOTION FOR LEAVE TO WITHDRAW COUNSEL**

WHEREAS, Movant Wai Lau ("Movant") has moved pursuant to Local Civil Rule 102.1 to withdraw Sherief Morsy of Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP ("Faruqi & Faruqi") as counsel to Movant (the "Motion"), this matter being considered, and, for good cause shown;

IT IS on this _____ day of _____, 2020,

ORDERED that the Motion is GRANTED. The appearance of Sherief Morsy of Faruqi & Faruqi on behalf of Movant in the above-captioned action is hereby withdrawn. The docket shall forthwith reflect the appearance of Sherief Morsy as terminated. Mr. Morsy is discharged of any further responsibility in this action.

HON. FREDAL. WOLFSON